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Wednesday

TIME	CH 8 & 37 AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH 38 AFNPACIFIC	CH 39 SPECTRUM	CH 40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	Nightline
9:30	[.55] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report
10:00	[.20] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
10:30		8:30	[.33] CNNISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Florida at LSU
11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	Winnie the Pooh Valentine	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30	Primetime Movie		
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Ever After: (TV-PG)	Secrets of War (TV-PG)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30		Israeli Intelligence	Wisconsin at Illinois
13:00	Today	11:00		Combat At Sea	
13:30		11:30		The Admirals	
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	Dateline NBC Mtn
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Raging Bulls	
15:00	Disney's Jungle Cubs	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	BrandSpankingNewDoug	13:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	A Gathering Of Eagles (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Outward Bound (TV-Y7)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	City Guys (TV-G)	14:30	[.33] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[.05] Movies 'til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30	Cocoon (TV-PG)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNNISI & Lajes News	16:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (TBS)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	Winnie the Pooh Valentine	17:00	[.10] Movies 'til Dawn	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Kings at Jazz
19:30	Primetime Movie	17:30	Class (TV-PG)		
20:00	Ever After: (TV-PG)	18:00		Secrets of War (TV-PG)	
20:30		18:30		Israeli Intelligence	Inside the NBA (TBS)
21:00		19:00	Headline News	Combat At Sea	SportsCenter
21:30		19:30	ESPNNews	The Admirals	
22:00	Headline & Lajes News	20:00	Today	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	60 Minutes II (CBS)
22:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		Raging Bulls	
23:00	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:00		Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live
23:30		21:30		A Gathering Of Eagles (TV-PG)	
0:00		22:00	Today II		Headline News
0:30	[.35] ESPNNews	22:30			NBC Nightly News
1:00	CNNISI	23:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball
1:30		23:30		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
2:00	NBA (TNT-Live)	0:00	Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	Happy Days (TV-G)	Duke at Virginia
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
3:00	Lakers at 76ers	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	NCAA Basketball
3:30		1:30	Chris Rock		
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	America's Castles	Notre Dame at Rutgers
4:30	Inside the NBA (TNT-Live)	2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)		
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Ancient Mysteries: Quest For The Fountain Of Youth	Sports Tonight
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30	[.25] Guiding Light (TV-14)	X-Files (TV-14)	
6:00	CNNISI	4:00	[.15] General Hospital	Demons	Larry King Live
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30			
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[.05] Rugrats (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30		5:30	Arthur (TV-Y)	Fight In The Fields (TV-PG)	
8:00	'Blue's Clue' (TV-Y)	6:00	Pokemon (TV-Y)		The O'Reilly Factor
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	Men In Black (TV-Y7)		

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10:30		8:30	[.33] CNNISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Heat at Raptors
11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	Survivor: Australian Outback	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30			
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Star Trek: Voyager (TV-PG)	Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	One Small Step	Sharks: Outside The Canoe	Inside the NBA (TNT)
13:00	Today	11:00	Law & Order (TV-14)	Emergency Vets (TV-PG)	Nat'l Sports Report (FSN)
13:30		11:30	Faccia a Faccia	Toyota World Of Wildlife (TV-G)	
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	Gun	48 Hours
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	The Hole	
15:00	Sylvester&Tweety Mysteries	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:30	Disney's Recess	13:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	Dr. Strangelove (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1
16:00	Moesha (TV-PG)	14:00			Good Morning America
16:30	Clueless	14:30	[.35] ESPNNews		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[.05] Movies 'til Dawn	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30	Bad Boys (TV-14)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
18:00	CNNISI & Lajes News	16:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (FSN)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	Survivor: Australian Outback	17:00	[.05] Movies 'til Dawn	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Arizona at UCLA
19:30		17:30	Angels In The Outfield (TV-PG)		
20:00	Star Trek: Voyager (TV-PG)	18:00		Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	NASCAR Craftsman Trucks
20:30	One Small Step	18:30		Sharks: Outside The Canoe	
21:00	Law & Order (TV-14)	19:00	Today	Emergency Vets (TV-PG)	
21:30	Faccia a Faccia	19:30		Toyota World Of Wildlife (TV-G)	
22:00	Headline & Lajes News	20:00		Gun	
22:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		The Hole	ESPNNews
23:00		21:00	Callou (TV-Y)		PrimeTime Thursday (ABC)
23:30	[.35] Late Show with David Letterman	21:30	Between The Lions (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	
0:00		22:00	Sabrina: The Animated Series	Dr. Strangelove (TV-PG)	Headline News
0:30	[.35] ESPNNews	22:30	SpongeBob SquarePants		NBC Nightly News
1:00	[.05] Movies 'til Dawn	23:00	Pokemon (TV-Y)	The View	ABC World News Tonight
1:30	Bad Boys (TV-14)	23:30	Making The Band (TV-PG)		CBS Evening News
2:00		0:00	Behind the Music	Season By Season (TV-G)	PGA Golf (ESPN)
2:30		0:30	Celine Dion	Interior Motives	
3:00	[.05] Movies 'til Dawn	1:00	This Old House	Frasier (TV-PG)	Bob Hope Chrysler Classic (Round 2)
3:30	Angels In The Outfield (TV-PG)	1:30	California's Gold	Friends (TV-PG)	
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	
4:30		2:30	Navy/Marine Corps News	Ronitied	
5:00	Headline News	3:00	NHL (ESPN)	Ally McBeal (TV-14)	Sports Tonight
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30		Pursuit Of Loneliness	
6:00	CNNISI	4:00	Blues at Blackhawks	Any Day Now (TV-14)	Larry King Live
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30		No Comment	
7:00	Callou (TV-Y)	5:00		Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30	Between The Lions (TV-Y)	5:30			
8:00	Sabrina: The Animated Series	6:00	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	Working Girl (TV-PG)	The O'Reilly Factor
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11:00	[.10] General Hospital	9:00	Futurama (TV-PG)	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
11:30		9:30	That '70s Show (TV-PG)		
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Will & Grace (TV-14)	America's Castles	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	[.35] Will & Grace (TV-14)		
13:00	Today	11:00	Hopkins 24/7	Ancient Mysteries: Quest For The Fountain Of Youth	Nat'l Sports Report (FSN)
13:30		11:30	Colombiani		
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	X-Files (TV-14)	CNN Early Edition
14:30		12:30	[.35] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Demons	
15:00	Rugrats (TV-Y)	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News
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18:00	CNNISI & Lajes News	16:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	SportsCenter (ESPN)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
19:00	Futurama (TV-PG)	17:00	[.10] Movies 'til Dawn	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	NASCAR Winston Cup
19:30	That '70s Show (TV-PG)	17:30	Desperately Seeking Susan (TV-PG)		Galorade 125
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2:00		0:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	Happy Days (TV-G)	PGA Golf (ESPN)
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
3:00	[.10] Movies 'til Dawn	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Bob Hope Chrysler Classic (Round 1)
3:30	Desperately Seeking Susan (TV-PG)	1:30	Uniting Women of the World		
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Crocodile Hunter (TV-G)	
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All movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Call Ext. 23302 for more information. (V, violence; S, sex or sensuality; D, drug use; L, language; G, gore)

Saturday

Dude, Where's My Car

Ashton Kutcher, Seann William Scott; last night, two party-hearty dudes had a sweet time. Too bad, they can't remember a thing today. PG-13 (L, S, D).

Sunday

Rugrats in Paris, 1 p.m.

Monday

Legend of the Drunken Master

Jackie Chan, Anita Mui; Chan is a drunken master martial artist. He has no choice but to defy all the ancient codes of tradition in order to save China's treasures. R (V).

Tuesday

Proof of Life

Russell Crow, Meg Ryan; when her husband is kidnapped, Alicia hires a free-lance negotiator to rescue him. R (V, L, D).

Wednesday

Dungeons and Dragons

The Empire has long been a divided

land; from the elite group of magic users to the powerless commoners. The outcome of the race is far from certain, and the Empire's survival hangs in the balance. PG-13 (V).

Thursday

The Sixth Day

Arnold Schwarzenegger, Tony Goldwyn; imagine a world free of incurable diseases, where animals are no longer threatened by extinction, world hunger has been eradicated and the family pet can be cloned. A world where immortality is within reach. PG-13 (L, S).

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Unbreakable

Samuel L. Jackson; the sole survivor of a devastating train wreck meets a mysterious stranger who offers a bizarre explanation as to why he escaped without a scratch, an explanation which threatens to change David's family and life forever. PG-13 (V, S).

Dude, Where's My Car, 10 p.m.



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photo by Senior Airman Michael Holzworth

Results are in

1st Lt. Jessica Fritz, chief of the 65th Medical Group laboratory element, analyzes blood for a complete blood count test. To insure the lab meets federal standards, an inspector from the College of American Pathologists visited the lab Jan. 31. He found no discrepancies in laboratory operations — a first in Lajes history. Supporting more than 2,500 members of the Lajes community, last year the three-person laboratory staff performed nearly 11,000 in-house procedures and shipped out more than 5,100 tests that couldn't be conducted here.

AF gets better deployment tools

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. — Air Force Aerospace Expeditionary Force Center officials want to ensure all expeditionary airmen have the best possible source of deployment information available.

With the second cycle of AEF rotations underway, the Air Force has greatly improved the tools available to commanders and Air Force members deploying in an AEF.

The "AEF Commanders' Playbook" is designed to give airmen up-to-date information on all deployment issues.

The playbook will help commanders prepare their airmen for AEF rotations.

As part of a continuing effort to better educate deploying forces, it contains detailed information commanders and deploying members need. The quick-reference checklist, which highlights key issues and lists the relevant sections of the playbook, is designed so commanders can easily carry it.

"The AEF Commanders' Playbook is one way to ensure all Air Force commanders, deploying members and even those who remain at the home station are all on the same sheet of music," said Brig. Gen. Dennis Larsen, commander of the Aerospace Expeditionary Force Center.

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News briefs

Annual awards banquet set

The Lajes Field Annual Awards Banquet is set for Feb. 22 in the Top of the Rock club. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. and dinner starts at 7. Cost for members E-1 to E-4 is \$12; E-5 to E-9 and GS-7 and below, \$15; and officers and GS-9 and above, \$20. Dress for military members is semi-formal or mess dress and semiformal for civilians. Sign up with first sergeants by Feb. 16.

Wing gets four-day weekend

The wing goal day is Feb. 16, followed by Presidents' Day, Feb. 19.

Housing closes for training

Effective immediately, the housing office will be closed every Wednesday at 3 p.m. for in-house training. For more information call K. J. Leonard at 2-3507.

Astronaut program open

The Air Force is accepting applications for qualified officers and enlisted members to participate in the astronaut nomination program. Members who meet the basic eligibility criteria are encouraged to apply. Applications must be postmarked by April 6. Volunteers can stop by the military personnel flight customer service for eligibility information or call 2-5143.

Crossroads needs volunteer

Public affairs needs a volunteer to help copy edit and write articles for the Crossroads. For information call Staff Sgt. Beverly Isik at 2-2369.

Military W2s mailed out

Military members should have received W2 forms in their mailboxes. Those who haven't should call finance at 2-6271.

Members LINK to suicide prevention

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – The number of Air Force members who committed suicide increased slightly over the past two years.

We need to focus on ongoing and comprehensive preventative services.

Prevention encompasses more than our annual suicide prevention briefings.

It's when commanders give people time off to attend parenting classes.

It's when a unit asks the critical incident stress management team to help it deal with significant traumatic events such as deaths of unit members.

Prevention is when a supervisor notes concerns about a person's alcohol usage and recommends an alcohol assessment.

It's when first-time parents, who are separated from extended families, get help from the new parent support team.

Air Force members can play an active role in suicide prevention by following the acronym, LINK:

- Look for preventative services
- Inquire about these services
- Note availability of services
- Know when and where to refer

Suicide prevention services are available for anyone who may be experiencing emotional pain over numerous issues including relationship difficulties, substance abuse and financial concerns.

Prevention services are most effective when people first experience concerns -- before situations grow into crises.

Services include stress management, anger management, parenting and couple's communication. These classes help build and maintain emotional strength and improve quality of life.

Call family advocacy or the chapel for information. (Courtesy of Maj. Juanita Celie, Chief, Air Education and Training Command Behavioral Health).

Action Line

Ext. 24240
actionline@lajes.af.mil

The Action Line is your tool to help the Team Lajes community. It's a direct line to U.S. Forces Azores and 65th Air Base Wing Commander Col. Bill Percival.

However, before you call, try to resolve your concern through the appropriate agency. Some numbers are listed here. You may remain anonymous when you call the Action Line, but for a direct answer, leave your name and phone number.

AAFES	23209
AFN	23497
Red Cross	23516
CDC	23188
CES	26113
Chaplain	24211
Commissary	26124
Dental clinic	23139
FSC	23122
Housing	26251
Inbound (TMO)	25168
Lodging	25178
MDG	23615
MPF	23612
Outbound (TMO)	24213
Passenger Terminal	23227
Phone Service	119
Public Affairs	23347
Rumor Control	23347
Services	21322
Military Pay	25158
Security Forces	23222
Service Station	25125
Safety Office	23304
Tickets and Tours	24135
Travel Pay	22407
Youth Center	23273



Colonel Bill Percival

High school minus heat

Question: I am a parent of two students at Lajes High School. I have been informed that there is no heat currently at the school. My son and daughter have brought it to the attention of their teachers and nothing has been done yet.

One rainy day, my daughter's clothes got wet and she was freezing all day in the classroom since the heat wasn't on.

Our children deserve heat at the school. I appreciate your help in this matter.

Answer: Thanks for calling. You're absolutely right -- our children deserve the best possible learning environment. And this includes having heat.

The heating problem at the high school stemmed from when the fuel storage tank was replaced. When the new tank was installed, the fuel line wasn't sized right and the boiler wasn't getting enough fuel.

The system would reset, but then shut down again after only 30-45 minutes of operation.

Craftsmen from the 65th Civil Engineer Squadron have resolved the issue and temperatures should be back to normal at the school now. The civil engineers will continue to follow the issue to prevent this from happening again. Thanks again for your concern.



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10:00	Discover Magazine	8:00	ESPNNews	Interior Motives	ESPN2 Boxing
10:30	Doomsday	8:30	Stargate S-G1 (TV-PG)	Frasier (TV-PG)	Vinnny Paz vs Aaron Davis
11:00	This Old House	9:00	Joliner's Memories (Part 1)	Friends (TV-PG)	
11:30	California's Gold	9:30	AFN Special (TV-PG)	Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	
12:00	Entertainers	10:00	Marc Anthony Live	Rest In Peace	ESPNNews
12:30	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	10:30	20/20	Aly McBeal (TV-14)	Nat'l Sports Report (FSN)
13:00		11:00		In Search Of Pymies	
13:30		11:30	Headline News	Any Day Now (TV-14)	Dateline NBC
14:00	Stargate SG-1 (TV-PG)	12:00	Saturday Night Live (TV-14)	Freedom Land	
14:30	Joliner's Memories (Part1)	12:30	The Rock (AC/DC)	2001 Mts. World Pageant	Headline News
15:00	AFN Special (TV-PG)	13:00			Wall Street Journal Report
15:30	Marc Anthony Live	13:30			MLaughlin Group
16:00	20/20	14:00	It's Showtime At The Apollo (TV-PG)		Washington Week In Review
16:30	Headline News	14:30	Late Friday (TV-PG)	The View	Travel Now
17:00	Navy/Marine Corps News	15:00			Page One w/Nick Charles
18:00	SportsCenter (ESPN)	16:00	Up Close with Gary Miller	Season By Season (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball
18:30		16:30	NHL Cod Shots (ESPN2)	Interior Motives	Temple at Xavier
19:00	NCAA Basketball	17:00	NCAA Basketball	Frasier (TV-PG)	
19:30		17:30		Friends (TV-PG)	
20:00	Maryland at N. Carolina (ACC)	18:00	Arkansas at Florida (SEC)	Dawson's Creek (TV-14)	NCAA Basketball
20:30		18:30		Rest In Peace	Craigton at Southern Illinois
21:00	NHL (ESPN2-Live)	19:00	Headline News	Aly McBeal (TV-14)	
21:30		19:30	Hour Of Power	In Search Of Pymies	
22:00	Devils at Penguins	20:00	Celebration Of Victory	Any Day Now (TV-14)	Davis Cup Tennis
22:30		20:30	Breakthrough	Freedom Land	USA vs Switzerland (First Round)
23:00		21:00	The Choices We Face	2001 Mts. World Pageant	
23:30		21:30	Day Of Discovery		Headline News
0:00	ESPNNews	22:00	NBA All Star Saturday		Navy/Marine Corps News
0:30	Saturday Night Live (TV-14)	22:30			NCAA Basketball
1:00	The Rock (AC-DC)	23:00		Nana Pudd'n'	
1:30		23:30		Grasping For The Wind	
2:00	XFL (NBC-Live)	0:00		The 700 Club	Selon Hall at Syracuse
2:30		0:30	ESPNNews	Profiles In Praise	
3:00	Chicago Enforcers	1:00	Headline News	The Andy Griffith Show	NCAA Basketball
3:30	at	1:30	Air Force TV News		
4:00	Los Angeles Xtreme	2:00	Adventures Of Elmer & Friends	Bewitched (TV-G)	Oklahoma at Texas
4:30		2:30	Happy Ever After (TV-Y)	M*A*S*H (TV-PG)	
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Family Movie	Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	Sports Tonight
5:30	Hour Of Power	3:30	Stepister From Planet Weird	Undertitled Flying Angels	
6:00	Celebration Of Victory	4:00		Fantasy Island (TV-G)	Larry King Weekend (CNN)
6:30	Breakthrough	4:30		Playgirl/Smith's Vahalla	
7:00	The Choices We Face	5:00	Wild Things (TV-PG)	Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	Dateline International 1
7:30	Day Of Discovery	5:30	V.I.P. (TV-PG)	Alfred Hitchcock Presents	
8:00	Adventures Of Elmer & Friends	6:00		Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Judith Regan Tonight (FNC)
8:30	Happy Ever After (TV-Y)	6:30	Val Goes to Town		

Monday

TIME	CH38/AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH38/AFNPACIFIC	CH39 SPECTRUM	CH40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	World Report
9:30	[5:5] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
10:00	[2:0] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	NHL Hockey (ESPN)
10:30		8:30	[3:3] CNN/ISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	Blues at Stars
11:00	[1:10] General Hospital	9:00	60 Minutes	Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 1) (TV-PG)	
11:30		9:30			
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Touched By An Angel A House Divided	Discover Magazine Solar System	
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	The Practice (TV-14)	New Detectives	Sportscenter
13:00	Today	11:00	Oz	Lethal Dosage	
13:30		11:30		ER (TV-14)	CNN Early Edition
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	Good Touch, Bad Touch	
14:30		12:30	[3:5] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	Spectrum Movie	Headline News
15:00	Disney's Hercules	13:00		The Great Waldo Pepper (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1 Good Morning America
15:30	Disney's Pepper Ann (TV-G)	13:30	[3:5] Late Show with David Letterman		
16:00	Popular Mechanics For Kids	14:00			
16:30	Cousin Skeeter	14:30	[3:5] ESPNNews	The Flintstones (TV-G)	
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[0:5] Movies 'til Dawn From Here To Eternity (TV-PG)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	
17:30	Headline News	15:30		Happy Days (TV-G)	
18:00	CNN/ISI & Lajes News	16:00		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN2)
18:30	Headline News	16:30		Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 1) (TV-PG)	
19:00	60 Minutes	17:00	[1:15] Movies 'til Dawn The Fly (TV-14)	Discover Magazine Solar System	Charlotte at Louisville
19:30		17:30		New Detectives	RPM2Night (ESPN2)
20:00	Touched By An Angel A House Divided	18:00	Headline News	Lethal Dosage	NBA 2Night (ESPN2)
20:30	The Practice (TV-14)	18:30	ESPNNews		SportsCenter
21:00	Oz	19:00		ER (TV-14)	Navy/Marine Corps News
21:30	Headline & Lajes News	20:00	Today	Good Touch, Bad Touch	Army or AFTV News
22:00	[3:5] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live
22:30		21:00		The Great Waldo Pepper (TV-PG)	
23:00	[3:5] Late Show with David Letterman	21:30			Headline News
0:00		22:00	Today II		NBC Nightly News
0:30	[3:5] ESPNNews	22:30		Sesame Street (TV-Y)	ABC World News Tonight
1:00	NCAA Basketball Villanova at Georgetown (Big East)	23:00		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	CBS Evening News
1:30		23:30		Happy Days (TV-G)	Figure Skating (ABC)
2:00		0:00	Blue's Clues (TV-Y)	The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	Star Trek (TV-PG)	ISU Four Continents
3:00	NCAA Basketball Kansas at Baylor (Big 12)	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Mirror, Mirror	
3:30		1:30	Dr. Phil's Weight Loss Advice	Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)	RPM2Night (ESPN2)
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Samuel L. Jackson	NFL 2Night (ESPN2)
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	Biography (TV-PG)	Sports Tonight
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	The Marshall Fields	
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30	[2:5] Guiding Light (TV-14)	The Civil Right	Larry King Live
6:00	CNN/ISI	4:00	[1:5] General Hospital		
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30			
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[0:5] Hey! Arnold (TV-Y)	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams
7:30		5:30	Digimon: Digital Monsters	Guess Who's Coming To Dinner (TV-PG)	
8:00	'Blue's Clue (TV-Y)	6:00	Nick News (TV-Y)		The O'Reilly Factor
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	Scholastic Sports America		

Sunday

TIME	CH38/AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH38/AFNPACIFIC	CH39 SPECTRUM	CH40 NEWSPORTS
9:00	Family Mobile	7:00	Computer Chronicles	Nana Pudd'n'	Navy/Marine Corps News
9:30	Stepister From Planet Weird (TV-G)	7:30	Wall Street Journal Report	Grasping For The Wind	Air Force TV News
10:00		8:00	Headline News	The 700 Club	NCAA Basketball (ESPN)
10:30		8:30	ESPNNews	Profiles In Praise	
11:00	Wild Things (TV-PG)	9:00	Whose Line Is It Anyway?	The Andy Griffith Show	Texas at Texas Tech (Big 12)
11:30		9:30	Primetime Movie	I Love Lucy (TV-G)	College Hoops Tonight (ESPN)
12:00	Headline News	10:00		Bewitched (TV-G)	NBA 2Night/All-Star Edition
12:30	Air Force TV News	10:30	Philadelphia (TV-PG)	M*A*S*H (TV-PG)	AF Winter Sports
13:00	NBA All-Star Saturday (TNT)	11:00		Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	Dateline International 2
13:30	2-Ball, 3-Point Shootout, Slam	11:30		Undertitled Flying Angels	
14:00		12:00	Headline News	Fantasy Island (TV-G)	
14:30	(MCI Center, Wash. DC)	12:30	The Drew Carey Show	Playgirl/Smith's Vahalla	CBS News Sunday Morning
15:00		13:00	Meet The Press	Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	
15:30		13:30		Alfred Hitchcock Presents	
16:00	V.I.P. (TV-PG)	14:00	America's Black Forum	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	
16:30	Val Goes to Town	14:30	Walker, Texas Ranger		Face the Nation
17:00	Computer Chronicles	15:00	Team Cherokee (Part 2)	Nana Pudd'n'	Headline News
17:30	Wall Street Journal Report	15:30	ESPNNews	Grasping For The Wind	Navy/Marine Corps News
18:00	SportsCenter (ESPN)	16:00	College Hoops 2Night (ESPN2)	The 700 Club	Figure Skating (ABC)
18:30		16:30	NHL 2Night (ESPN2)	Profiles In Praise	ISU Four Continents
19:00	NCAA Basketball Miami, OH at Ball State (Big 10)	17:00	NCAA Basketball	The Andy Griffith Show	
19:30		17:30		I Love Lucy (TV-G)	NBA Inside Stuff (NBC-Live)
20:00		18:00	(Mid-America Conference)	Bewitched (TV-G)	All-Star Special
20:30		18:30		M*A*S*H (TV-PG)	ESPNNews
21:00	PGA Buck Invitational	19:00	ESPN Sports Reporters	Charlie's Angels (TV-G)	
21:30		19:30	NCAA Basketball	Undertitled Flying Angels	NCAA Basketball
22:00	Final Round	20:00		Fantasy Island (TV-G)	
22:30		20:30	NC State at Duke	Playgirl/Smith's Vahalla	
23:00	(Torrey Pines - La Jolla, CA)	21:00		Twilight Zone (TV-PG)	(Teams TBD)
23:30		21:30		Alfred Hitchcock Presents	
0:00	NBA Pregame Show	22:00	NBA Pregame Show	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	NASCAR Winston Cup (FOX)
0:30	NBA All Star Game	22:30	NBA All Star Game		Bud Shootout
1:00		23:00		The Flintstones (TV-G)	Headline News
1:30	Western vs Eastern Conference	23:30	Western vs Eastern Conference	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Air Force TV News
2:00		0:00		Happy Days (TV-G)	Davis Cup Tennis
2:30		0:30		The Cosby Show (TV-G)	
3:00	Walker, Texas Ranger	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Jack London's Call Of The Wild Pilot (Part 1)	
3:30	Team Cherokee (Part 2)	1:30			
4:00	WWF Superstars (TV-14)	2:00	Headline News	Discover Magazine Solar System	
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	New Detectives	Sports Tonight
5:00	Meet The Press	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Lethal Dosage	
5:30		3:30	[2:5] Guiding Light (TV-14)	ER (TV-14)	This Week (ABC)
6:00	Headline News	4:00	[1:5] General Hospital		
6:30	ESPNNews	4:30		Good Touch, Bad Touch	
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[0:5] Disney's Hercules	Spectrum Movie	Headline News
7:30		5:30	Disney's Pepper Ann (TV-G)	The Great Waldo Pepper (TV-PG)	Science & Technology Week
8:00	Little Bear	6:00	Popular Mechanics For Kids		Motor Week
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	Cousin Skeeter		George Michael Sports Machine

Tuesday

TIME	CH-38/AFNATLANTIC	TIME	CH-38/AFN-PACIFIC	CH-39 SPECTRUM	CH-40 NEWS/SPORTS	
9:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	7:00	Jeopardy!	The Flintstones (TV-G)	Nightline	
9:30	[5:5] Port Charles (TV-14)	7:30	Headline News	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	Nightly Business Report	
10:00	[2:3] Guiding Light (TV-14)	8:00	Pacific Report	Happy Days (TV-G)	2001 ESPY Awards	
10:30		8:30	[3:3] CNN/ISI	The Cosby Show (TV-G)		
11:00	[1:10] General Hospital	9:00	7th Heaven (TV-G)	Star Trek (TV-PG)		
11:30		9:30	Who Nose	Mirror, Mirror		
12:00	Headline News	10:00	Primetime Movie	Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)		
12:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	10:30	The Fan (TV-PG)	Samuel L. Jackson	ESPN SportsCenter	
13:00	Today	11:00	(TV-PG)	Biography (TV-PG)		
13:30		11:30		The Marshall Fields		ESPNNews
14:00		12:00	Pacific Report	The Practice (TV-14)	48 Hours	
14:30		12:30	[3:5] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	The Civil Right		
15:00	Hey Arnold (TV-Y)	13:00		Spectrum Movie	Headline News	
15:30	Digimon: Digital Monsters	13:30	[3:5] Late Show with David Letterman	Guess Who's Coming To Dinner (TV-PG)	Morning Biz Report and Ch.1 Good Morning America	
16:00	Nick News (TV-Y)	14:00				
16:30	Scholastic Sports America	14:30	[3:5] ESPNNews	The Flintstones (TV-G)		
17:00	Jeopardy!	15:00	[0:5] Movies "I'll Dawn Die Hard With A Vengeance (TV-14)	The Brady Bunch (TV-G)		
17:30	Headline News	15:30		Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball (ESPN2)	
18:00	CNN/5 & Lates News	16:00		The Cosby Show (TV-G)		
18:30	Headline News	16:30				
19:00	7th Heaven (TV-G)	17:00	[1:10] Movies "I'll Dawn Quietus (TV-PG)	Star Trek (TV-G)	Utah at UNLV	
19:30	Who Nose	17:30		Mirror, Mirror		
20:00	Primetime Movie	18:00		Celebrity Profiles (TV-PG)	RFM2/Night (ESPN2)	
20:30	The Fan (TV-PG)	18:30	Headline News	Samuel L. Jackson	NBA Inside Stuff (ESPN2)	
21:30		19:00	ESPNNews	Biography (TV-PG)	SportsCenter	
22:00	Headline & Lates News	20:00	Today	The Marshall Fields		
22:30	[3:5] Tonight Show with Jay Leno	20:30		The Practice (TV-14)	Dateline NBC Mon	
23:00	[3:5] Late Show with David Letterman	21:00		The Civil Right		
0:00	[3:5] ESPNNews	21:30	Today II	Spectrum Movie	Fox News Live	
0:30	[0:5] Movies "I'll Dawn Die Hard With A Vengeance (TV-14)	22:00		Guess Who's Coming To Dinner (TV-PG)	Headline News	
1:00		22:30	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	The Flintstones (TV-G)	NBC Nightly News	
1:30		23:30		The Brady Bunch (TV-G)	ABC World News Tonight	
2:00		0:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	Happy Days (TV-G)	NCAA Basketball	
2:30		0:30	Wheel Of Fortune	The Cosby Show (TV-G)		
3:00	[1:10] Movies "I'll Dawn Quietus (TV-PG)	1:00	Oprah Winfrey Show	Who Wants To Be A Millionaire	Miami at Syracuse	
3:30		1:30				
4:00		2:00	NBC Nightly News	Secrets of War (TV-PG)	NCAA Basketball	
4:30		2:30	Judge Judy (TV-PG)	Israeli Intelligence		
5:00	Headline News	3:00	Port Charles (TV-14)	Combat At Sea	Temple at St. Joseph's	
5:30	ABC World News Tonight	3:30	[2:5] Guiding Light (TV-14)	The Admirals		
6:00	CNN/5I	4:00	[1:15] General Hospital	NYPD Blue (TV-14)	ESPNews	
6:30	NBC Nightly News	4:30		Raging Bulls	Larry King Live	
7:00	Sesame Street (TV-Y)	5:00	[0:5] Disney's Jungle Cubs	Spectrum Movie	News with Brian Williams	
7:30		5:30	BrandSpankingNew/Doug	A Gathering Of Eagles (TV-PG)		
8:00	Teletubbies (TV-Y)	6:00	Outward Bound (TV-Y7)		The O'Reilly Factor	
8:30	Wheel Of Fortune	6:30	City Guys (TV-G)			

Valentine bouquets delivered

Skills development center employees are taking orders and will deliver valentine balloon bouquets Feb. 14, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Stop by Bldg. T-308 through Feb. 13 to place an order.

Sing at enlisted heritage ball

The Enlisted Heritage Ball committee is looking for active-duty enlisted members to sing with a four-part harmony quartet for the upcoming ball. Volunteers should be able to read music and be available throughout May. Enlisted service members from any branch of service, male or female, are encouraged to apply. For more information call Master Sgt. William Crow at 2-3921.

Bowl for enlisted ball

An Enlisted Heritage Ball bowling tournament is Feb. 23, noon-5 p.m. Entrance fee is \$10. For more information call Tech. Sgt. Cheryl Shaw at 2-3215.

Theater in the park

Join six Lajes High School theater students for a special performance "in the park," Feb. 23. The show starts at noon in the community center. Students will perform one-act of *An Actor's Nightmare* for the Lajes community. The audience can bring a picnic lunch and relax on blankets provided by the theater class. The event is free, but donations will be accepted to help defray hotel costs in Lisbon and Turkey when the group goes for district competition.

Spring retreat for women

The chapel sponsors a Women of Christ Spring Retreat, March 2-3, at Quinta da Nasce Agua Hotel in Angra. Cost is \$55 and includes lodging and two meals. Call Pat Johnson at 2-3882 to sign up by Feb. 23.

Spouse tuition assistance

Term 4 Spouse Tuition Assistance for University of Maryland is due Feb. 28 for civilian spouses of military members. For more information call 2-4187.

University sets class schedule

The University of Oklahoma Graduate College offers "Human Relations in the Workplace," Feb. 27-March 4. Another course, "Grief, Death and Dying" is scheduled for April 3-8. For more information call 2-3171.

Booster club helps animals

The Lajes community has formed a new booster club to raise money for the

Angra Animal Shelter, increase awareness of animal rights and improve relations with island veterinarians. Friends of the Animals Booster Club meet the third Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Round House Restaurant. For more information call 295-549-375.

Self-help open some Saturdays

The self-help store, Bldg. 561, is open on the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information call Master Sgt. Darrell House at 2-3784.

Valentine Love Dinner set

The chapel sponsors a Valentine Love Dinner in the Top of the Rock Club Ballroom, Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m. Registration is required. To sign up, call Pat Johnson at 2-3882 by 5 p.m. Monday.

Enlisted spouses meet Tuesday

The Enlisted Spouses Club meets Tuesday, 7 p.m. in the Top of the Rock Club Lisbon Room. For more information call Darcy Burke at 295-549-651.

Chace needs softball officials

The fitness center needs softball officials and scorekeepers. There's a meeting Saturday at 10 a.m. in the community center. For information call Michael Aumack at 2-1319.

Classifieds

To place a classified ad, pick up a form at the public affairs office, Bldg. T-100, Room 121 or call Ext. 23520. To avoid unwanted calls, call PA to cancel your ad when the item sells.

Baby items for sale, miscellaneous. Call Tonya at 295-549-737.

Free dog, 11-month old female dog; great with children; has had obedience training. Call Amanda at 295-549-419.

Paperback books for sale, various authors including John Grisham, Patricia Cornwell, Catherine Coulter and Nora Roberts; some hard cover; call 5:30-8 p.m., 295-516-006.

1985 Suzuki, 4 wheel drive, inspection good through July 2001, \$2,000. Call 295-543-004.

House for rent, 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, fireplace new cabinets and floor, fenced yard, \$350 per month. Call 295-542-374.

Kenwood 105VR receiver/tuner, Dolby surround and Pro Logic, \$100; Bose AM-5 Series II speakers, \$300. Call 295-549-748.

Wanted: women's white semiformal maternity shirt, size medium or large; need for annual awards banquet. Call Staff Sgt. Kelli Holmes at 2-2411.



photo by Tech. Sgt. Scott Johnson

Walk America

From left, Tech. Sgt. Cheryl Shaw, 65th Communications Squadron, Lt. Col. Mike Lewis, 65th CS commander, and Diane Lewis, the colonel's wife, recently "walked America." They covered 3,120 miles at the Chace Fitness Center in just over eight months. Walk America is a contest, of sorts, to encourage Team Lajes members to stay in shape. Participants keep track of their miles in a log book at the fitness center and work with different exercise equipment including the treadmill, cross trainer and bicycle. The next team expected to complete Walk America has 150 miles to go. Those who complete the walk get a T-shirt and plaque.

"Beetle" gives lessons in Lajes history

Staff Sgt. Ron "Beetle" Bailey
Wing historian

Everyone probably remembers getting ready for their assignment to Lajes and their arrival here.

The many checklists to complete -- shipping a vehicle, getting household goods picked up and delivered, finding housing and just getting used to the new environment?

Until February 1995, there was yet another issue to deal with.

It was just six years ago this month that the Army and Air Force Exchange Service at Lajes switched from leaded to unleaded fuel.

Before that, people had to have catalytic converters removed from their vehicles prior to shipping them to the island. Then, the converters had to be put it back on before shipping the vehicles back to the States.

An added bonus was the cost of unleaded fuel was 20 percent less than the leaded.

Another significant change at Lajes came Feb. 4, 1948, when the Air Force started allowing military family members to accompany their sponsors for the assignment here.

Life was not so easy at first though.

With a shortage of off-base housing, many families who joined their sponsors lived in dormitories and World War II Quonset huts.

Many military members started constructing cottages on Air Base 4 property and on property surrounding the base that was leased from local land owners.

Team Lajes eventually built more than 100 cottages, helping to ease housing situation while government housing was being built.

For one weekend -- Feb. 14-16, 1998 -- Team Lajes members got to "have it their way," when European Burger King managers brought the fast food restaurant to Lajes for the first time.

Community members waited in line at the Top of the Rock

Club for as much as three hours for whoppers, and they consumed 8,000 whoppers during the three-days Burger King was open.

Burger King served an average of four hamburgers for every service member and every family member on the island.

Everyone really enjoyed a little taste of home -- even if it was only for a weekend.

Speaking of the Top of the Rock, that's a relatively new name.

In February 1992, the officer and NCO clubs consolidated -- a trend that was spreading throughout the Air Force.

Services held a contest to name the new consolidated club, and the "Top of the Rock Club" took the prize.

Just a day before the "whopper-thon" in 1998, Lajes rolled out the red carpet for Rev. Jessie Jackson, who stopped here on his way

to Africa for Lajes' 45th Annual National Prayer Breakfast.

Rev. Jackson is one of several hundred distinguished visitors who have transited Lajes in its 58 year history.

Other famous DVs at Lajes include high-profile politicians like Presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower, Jimmy Carter, George Bush and even Egyptian Prime Minister Anwar Sadat.

Perhaps one of the most famous presidential visits was in 1971 when President Richard Nixon met with French President Georges Pompidou for a conference in Angra.

Lajes also welcomed Hillary Clinton as well as many high ranking military members and United Service Organization personalities like Frank Sinatra.

While day-to-day life for most of us here might not be too hectic or exciting, don't forget Lajes has a rich and varied history.

With more than 300,000 aircraft and 3,000,000 troops having transited our base since 1944, we should all be proud that Team Lajes plays a vital role in enabling expeditionary American and Allied air power.



Staff Sgt. Ronald "Beetle" Bailey

This week in history

Feb. 9, 1959: The Air Force successfully launched the first Titan intercontinental ballistic missile with a range of 5,500 nautical miles.

Feb. 6, 1991: Reserve Capt. Robert R. Swain of the 706th Tactical Fighter Squadron scored the first-ever A-10 Warthog air-to-air kill by shooting down an Iraqi helicopter.

Feb. 8, 1953: The American Medical Association recognized Aviation Medicine as a medical specialty, the first to evolve from military practice and research.

Feb. 10, 1994: 1st Lt. Jeannie Flynn, the first woman selected for U.S. Air Force combat pilot training, completed training in an F-15E Eagle.

In Memoriam

In memory of Albert J. Niedbala, retired U.S. Air Force technical sergeant, who died on Jan. 12 here on Terceira.

He is survived by his wife Lisette and son George, both of Lajes.

Albert died at the age of 84 and is remembered for his generosity and his devotion to his wife and son.

Personnel troops take AF by storm

Personnel troops from the 65th Mission Support Squadron and various unit commander's support staffs took the majority of the annual Air Force-level personnel awards. Winners are:

Air Force Personnel Superintendent of the Year

Senior Master Sgt. Frank Tomsich
65th Mission Support Squadron



Air Force Unit Personnel Technician of the Year

Tech. Sgt. Andy Mendoza
65th Civil Engineer Squadron



Air Force Personnel Specialist of the Year Staff Sgt.

Matthew Vaught
65th Mission Support Squadron



Air Force Unit Personnel Specialist of the Year Senior Airman
Melanie Johnson
65th Communications Squadron



Air Force Unit Personnel Superintendent of the Year
Madalena Lima
65th Medical Group



Winners not available for photographs are: Outstanding Air Force Junior Personnel Manager of the Year Capt. **Thomas Kelly**, 65th Military Personnel Flight commander; and Outstanding Air Force Personnel Technician of the Year Tech. Sgt. **Karen Lester**, NCO in charge of relocations.

vMPF adds new features

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The Air Force's Virtual Military Personnel Flight is adding features for Air Force members.

vMPF offers a convenient, secure way to do personnel business from anywhere in the world, day or night.

vMPF provides user-friendly, self-service capability, and allows troops

to review, maintain and initiate some personnel actions from the internet.

vMPF has taken on a new look, using a more traditional navigation scheme and a toolbar that's customized based on the person who logs in.

Improvements are being made and

additional services will be brought online in increments. The fourth increment is should be released in June and will feature an awards and decorations print-out that depicts each person's ribbon rack as it should look on the uniform.

The benefits of the system are just now beginning to be recognized by Air

Force members in the field. Like electronic banking and automated teller machines, it will take time before everyone realizes the convenience of these new automated services.

The vMPF Web site is located at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/km>.

vMPF features

- Initial Separation/Retirement Briefing
- Proof of Service
- Permissive PCS Assignment Program
- Join Spouse Assignment Program
- CONUS Isolated Assignment Program
- Sole Surviving Son or Daughter Assignment Restriction

Personnel director discusses changing military, acceptance

Tech. Sgt. Jose Ruiz
Public affairs

Change is a permanent part of military life and should be embraced.

This was the key message Col. Blair Ellis, Air Combat Command director of personnel, told Team Lajes during his visit here Jan. 24-26.

"Change is the one constant in our life and how we deal with it is important to the success of our mission," the colonel said. He added many recent initiatives in the personnel field came in response to technological advances.

"We're continuously leveraging new technologies to improve customer service," he explained. "As a result, the way we conduct business is changing."

He pointed to the Virtual Military Personnel Flight and Management Level Review as examples of how the personnel field has exploited new technologies to better serve its customers.

The vMPF and MLR use Web-based technology to give customers access to information and services

from almost any location that has access to the Internet.

An identity authentication process at sign-in ensures data put into the system isn't compromised.

According to Colonel Ellis, such services are needed to meet the needs of today's expeditionary airmen.

"We have more people TDY today than we had 10 years ago when our total force was 30 percent larger," he said. "These services enable our deployed members to take care of things from remote areas they would otherwise only be able to take care of at home."

Though he pointed out the use of new technologies to provide customer service may ultimately reduce manning at local MPFs, he reassured customers that a decision to reduce manning would not come prematurely.

"In the past, it seems like people left before the functions got squared away," he said. "The objective here is to do the leveraging and leave the manning untouched until we can quantify what impact these new technologies will have on the way we do business."



Congratulations to the following Team Lajes members on their recent accomplishments. To highlight a military member or civilian employee for a promotion, award, earning a degree or other notable achievement, e-mail pertinent information to 65abw/publicaffairs@lajes.af.mil.

Achievement Medal

Staff Sgt. **Jerry Sauder**, 65th Contracting Squadron, earned the Air Force Achievement Medal for his work in support of humanitarian efforts repairing the elementary school on the island of Faial.

Wing quarterly winners

65th Air Base Wing Quarterly Award winners are: company grade officer -- Capt. **Stephanie Fox**, 629th Air Mobility Support Squadron; Senior NCO -- Master Sgt. **John Ross**, 65th Medical Operations Support Squadron; NCO -- Staff Sgt. **Tony Johnson**, 629th AMSS; Senior Airman **Shawn Kuhns**, 65th OSS; flight chief -- Capt. **Lionel Earl**, 65th Communications Squadron; Honor Guard NCO -- Staff Sgt. **William Barnwell**, 65th OSS; Honor Guard airman -- Senior Airman **Kimberly Briggs**, 65th Supply Squadron; category I and II U.S. civilians -- **Teresa Holm**, 629th AMSS, and **David Shinn**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; category I and II Portuguese civilians -- **Manuela Sousa** and **Manuel Martins**, 65th CS; full-time paid volunteer -- Tech. Sgt. **Walter Seth**, 65th SUPS; and non or partial paid volunteer -- **Amber Briney** 65th Mission Support Squadron.

Reenlistments

Staff Sgt. **Christopher Greer**, 629th Air Mobility Support Squadron; Tech. Sgt. **John Radabaugh**, 65th Communications Squadron; Staff Sgt. **John Andrews**, 65th Operations Support Squadron; Staff Sgt. **Michael Davis**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; Senior Airman **Jacqueline Martinez**, 65th Supply Squadron; and Staff Sgt. **Rick Maxwell**, 65th CES.

ACC awards

Maria Godinho, 65th Contracting Squadron, was recently named Air Combat Command Purchasing Agent of the Year.

Eduardo Lima is the ACC Public Affairs Host Nation Employee of the Year. Mr. Lima won this award in 1999 as well.



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MPF rated best in AF

Staff Sgt. Matthew Vaught, 65th Military Personnel Flight, makes dog tags. Air Force Personnel Center officials named the 65th Mission Support Squadron's Military Personnel Flight the best in the Air Force. Selected as the top MPF out of a pool of 84 personnel flights throughout the Air Force, Lajes' MPF was rated in seven areas, including permanent change of station processing, personnel reliability program accuracy and contingency duty status reporting.

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"Commanders may ask, 'How does AEF impact my squadron, and what should I be doing to better support the EAF/AEF?'" Larsen said. "The playbook will answer these questions and more."

It includes critical items such as AEF key rules, commanders' guidance, available deployment tools and a user tutorial.

Commanders can access the playbook and quick-reference checklist from a .mil or .gov computer on the "EAF Online" Web site at <https://aefcenter.acc.af.mil/>. Commanders can also download the checklist to a Palm "personal digital assistant" for easy accessibility.

Another big improvement made for the second AEF Cycle is an upgraded "EAF Online."

Using a .mil or .gov computer, airmen can access individualized training templates on the Web site for detailed information about their deployed job description, mission and even the equipment they will be us-

ing in the area of responsibility.

The templates identify both required and desirable training needed before deployment. They also offer other information including AOR-specific concerns, lessons learned in the past, specific functional-area information and links to other helpful sites. Templates are available for all steady-state, non-flying positions.

If deploying airmen get the training they need, they'll reduce the time it takes to get ready in the AOR and the turmoil that can be generated during AEF transitions, he explained.

"We are constantly expanding and improving EAF Online to make it a one-stop shop for commanders and individuals," Larsen said. "We have also made substantial improvements to ensure the Commander's Playbook is user-friendly."

According to the general, the tools are the result of airman feedback from past deployments and input from Air Force leaders. (Courtesy of Aerospace Expeditionary Force Center)